

To Dan Glickman and
the Dockets Management Branch
(HFA - 305)

Food and Drug Administration
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Dear Mr. Glickman

Dear F.D.A.,

I am writing to you as a U.S. citizen and a consumer, to demand the right to know exactly what is done to my food; how it is treated before, during, and after it is produced, by proper prominent labelling without misleading terms.

First, I will state that I am wholly and unequivocally against genetic engineering of plants, for many valid reasons to do with the proper growth and propagation and health of plants, the relationship and effects on the environment and eco-system, not to mention the overall effect of the nutritional value and cell structure, which will only lead to the need for the use of more and more petro-chemical carcinogenic pesticides and herbicides and fertilizers, which have already polluted and killed millions of acres.

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Why do you insist on trying to manipulate the uneducated consumer by "engineering" what God already perfected?

Secondly, I understand you have given the go-ahead to begin irradiating food. We all know this ultimately destroys vitamins, minerals, and causes ~~and~~ changes in the sensory qualities, and the spoilage qualities, which are not obvious or expected by the consumer. You plan to use very misleading labelling to this irradiated food, calling it "cold pasteurization"; or "electronic pasteurization".

I demand that you use prominent labelling on these foods, and that you use the proper truthful terms to inform the consumers. The use of "irradiated" or "irradiation" or even the radura symbol is the only way these foods should be labelled, to serve and protect the rights of the people of America!

yours truly,
Larry D Lynch

P.S. My very old
friend Mr. Ed Begley Jr.
wanted me to get this
letter to Dan Glickman too.

Thank you.

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